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HOLY MOLEY! THE LIGHTNING BOLT NEVER TOUCHED ME!
BUT IT TURNED YOU INTO-- INTO--
--ZAZZO-- PLUS! BIGGER AND BADDER THAN EVER!
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I NEVER REALIZED BEFORE HOW DANGEROUS MY MAGIC WORD COULD BE!
WATCH WHAT HAPPENS WHEN SOMEONE LEARNS HOW TO HARNESS ALL THAT MYSTIC ENERGY... AND I HAVE TO FIND OUT...
"WHO STOLE BILLY BATSON'S THUNDER?"
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SHAZAM!
AND WITH A CLAP OF MAGIC THUNDER, THE LAD IS TRANSFORMED INTO...
BOOOM!
...THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MORTAL, WHOSE ENTRANCE IS A JAB OF WHITE HEAT IN THE STOMACH OF EVILDOERS LIKE THESE...
"BEEF" JERKY-- YOU AND YOUR MEN HAVE ROBBED YOUR LAST JEWELRY STORE!
CHEEZIT, BOSS! IT'S CAPTAIN MARVEL!
STOPPIN' HIM'LL BE A PIECE O' CAKE...
...ONCE HE GETS A BLAST FROM THIS HOTSHOT HEATER I FOUND!
BUZZAAAAAA
HOLY MOLEY! THE ENERGY FROM THAT GUN IS MIGHTY STRONG... BUT NOT STRONG ENOUGH!
WHERE COULD A PETTY CROOK LIKE JERKY HAVE GOTTEN IT?
LOOKIT, BOSS--
I CAN SEE THAT, GOOFBALL! DRIVE OUTA HERE, FAST!
--MARVEL'S PLOWING RIGHT THROUGH IT!
GREAT GLOOPH! NOW CAPTAIN MARVEL'S STOPPING UP THE POLYBDENUM GUN WITH HIS FINGER--
--HOLDING IN THE HEAT!
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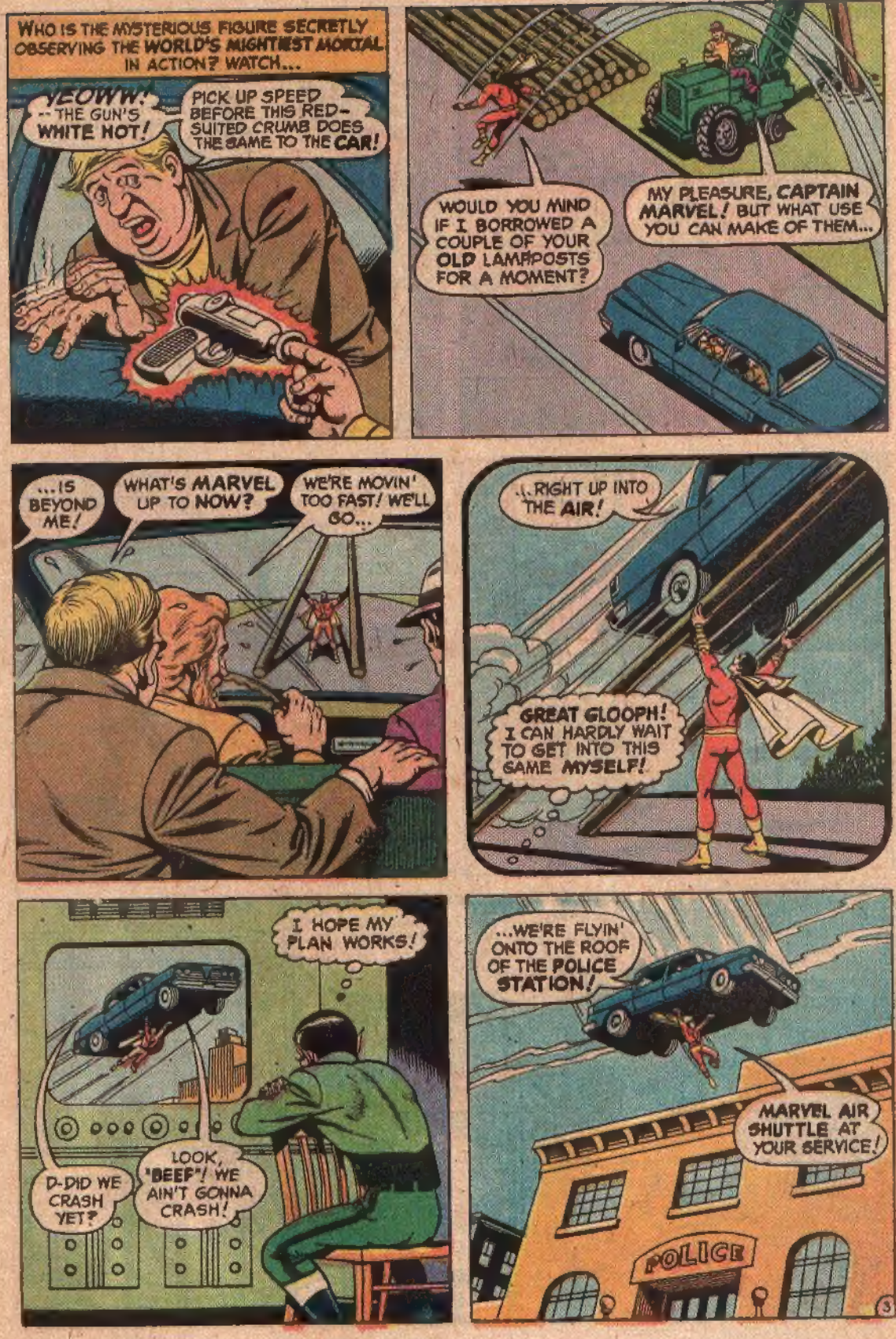
WHO IS THE MYSTERIOUS FIGURE SECRETLY OBSERVING THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MORTAL IN ACTION? WATCH...
YEOWW! -- THE GUN'S WHITE HOT!
PICK UP SPEED BEFORE THIS RED-SUITED CRUMB DOES THE SAME TO THE CAR!
WOULD YOU MIND IF I BORROWED A COUPLE OF YOUR OLD LAMPPOSTS FOR A MOMENT?
MY PLEASURE, CAPTAIN MARVEL! BUT WHAT USE YOU CAN MAKE OF THEM...
...IS BEYOND ME!
WHAT'S MARVEL UP TO NOW?
WE'RE MOVIN' TOO FAST! WE'LL GO...
...RIGHT UP INTO THE AIR!
GREAT GLOOPH! I CAN HARDLY WAIT TO GET INTO THIS GAME MYSELF!
I HOPE MY PLAN WORKS!
D-DID WE CRASH YET?
LOOK, "BEEF"! WE AIN'T GONNA CRASH!
...WE'RE FLYIN' ONTO THE ROOF OF THE POLICE STATION!
MARVEL AIR SHUTTLE AT YOUR SERVICE!
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HE SHOULD BE SAYING IT--RIGHT ABOUT NOW!
I GUESS THAT JOB'S OVER, SO--
SHAZAM!
AND FROM HIS FAR-OFF SECRET HIDEAWAY, EVEN OUR MYSTERIOUS OBSERVER IS ROCKED BY A BOLT OF...
BOOM
...MAGIC THUNDER AND LIGHTNING! WHAT A THRILL!
BUT THE CHANGE IS SO SWIFT AND SUDDEN THAT NO ONE ELSE REALIZES THAT CAPTAIN MARVEL HAS CHANGED BACK TO BILLY BATSON...
HOLY MOLEY! I'D BETTER HURRY BACK TO STATION WHIZ BEFORE I'M LATE...
LATE IS RIGHT! I'VE DONE ENOUGH WATCHING!
IT'S TIME ZAZZO STOLE BILLY BATSON'S THUNDER!
AT THAT MOMENT, INSIDE THE POLICE STATION...
FOR THE LUVVA MIKE! THE CELL WALL IS MELTING DOWN--
--AND THERE'S A HELICOPTER WAITING OUTSIDE FOR "BEEF" JERKY TO ESCAPE IN!
I AIN'T ASKIN' HOW THIS IS HAPPENIN'... I'M JUST GOIN'!
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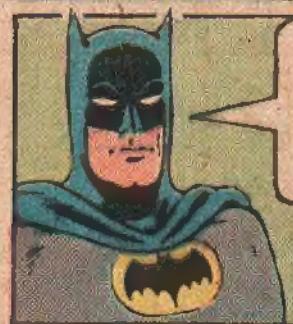

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SHAZAM!
AND SOMEWHERE--VERY FAR OFF--BILLY HEARS THE FAINTEST CRACK OF THUNDER...BUT--
HOLY MOLEY! I'M NOT CAPTAIN MARVEL!
THE MAGIC LIGHTNING NEVER STRUCK!
I WONDER WHERE IT WENT?
GREAT GLOOPH! MY SUPER-DUPER LIGHTNING ROD HELMET ATTRACTED BILLY'S CAPTAIN MARVEL POWERS FOR MYSELF!
MY COSTUME'S LIKE CAPTAIN MARVEL'S, ONLY THE COLORS ARE REVERSED! GUESS THAT'S BECAUSE THEY'RE DIFFERENT IN MY WORLD!
I'M NOT JUST PLAIN ZAZZO ANY MORE!
PLANET EARTH--GET READY TO MEET ZAZZO-PLUS!
HOLY MOLEY! "BEEF" AND HIS MEN ARE ESCAPING IN THAT HELICOPTER, AND I CAN'T CHANGE TO CAPTAIN MARVEL--
--UNLESS LAST TIME WAS A FREAK ACCIDENT,..OR SOMETHING'S HAPPENED TO OLD SHAZAM!
AND THIS TIME THE MAGIC WORD WORKS...
POWW!
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STRANGE! WONDER WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BOLT BEFORE?
NO MATTER...
...I'VE GOT A BUNCH OF CROOKS TO CATCH!
THE COPS WILL NEVER GET US UP HERE, "BEEF"!
THAT'S FOR SURE! NO ONE WILL-- UH-OH!
HE FLIES THROUGH THE AIR WITH THE GREATEST OF EASE, THE DARING YOUNG MAN SOARING OVER THE TREES...
"B-BEEF"! I THINK I'M GETTIN' AIRSICK..!
CAPTAIN MARVEL... STOP!
WE'LL GIVE OURSELVES UP!
AWW--JUST WHEN I WAS HAVING SO MUCH FUN, TOO!
DID SOMEBODY SAY...
...FUN?
HOLY MOLEY! WHERE ON EARTH DID YOU COME FROM?
NOWHERE...ON EARTH! I CAME FROM A WORLD IN ANOTHER DIMENSION TO MEET YOU, MARVIE!
I MELTED THE JAIL WALL SO "BEEF" JERKY COULD GET OUT--AND I ALSO SENT HIM THE "HOTSHOT HEATER" YOU TOOK AWAY FROM HIM!
IT'S DULL IN MY WORLD-- I CAME HERE TO HAVE FUN!
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WHAT KIND OF... FUN... DID YOU HAVE IN MIND?
OH, THE USUAL KIND--TYING CANS TO PUPPIES' TAILS... STOMPING ON ANT COLONIES...
STEALING OTHER PEOPLE'S CRIMINALS-- THAT SORT OF THING!
HOLY MOLEY! HE'S AS FAST AS I AM!
I'M EXACTLY AS FAST AS YOU ARE, MARVIE!
GREAT GLOOPH! THIS IS FUN!
WHERE ARE YOU TAKING THOSE CROOKS?
YEAH-- WE KNOW OUR RIGHTS! WE HAVE A RIGHT TO KNOW WHERE WE'RE GOIN'!
HALFWAY AROUND THE PLANET--
--AND INTO THE DRINK!
HAHA!
THAT'S NOT RIGHT, AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED!
THANKS FOR SAVIN' US FROM THAT NUT, CAPTAIN MARVEL--
NOW PUT US BACK IN JAIL, WHERE WE'LL BE SAFE!
I THINK I'LL REMAIN HERE AND HAVE FUN WITH CAPTAIN MARVEL--
--AND I'LL NEVER LET ANYONE KNOW I'M JUST A BRATTY KID WHO'S RUN AWAY FROM HOME!
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AFTER THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MORTAL HAS MANAGED TO TRANSPORT HIS CAPTIVES BACK TO THE POLICE STATION...
A CAR ON A LAMPPOST...A CLOWN-BUILDING...
...AND MR. DOCKLES CAN'T DELIVER THE MAIL! HE'S... UH... HUNG UP!
HOLY MOLEY! ZAZZO-PLUS IS TURNING THE CITY UPSIDE-DOWN!
HI, MARVIE! HOW DO YOU LIKE THE NEW PENNY ARCADE I'M BUILDING FOR YOUR CITY?
SAY, YOUR COSTUME IS JUST LIKE MINE, EXCEPT FOR THE COLORS! I'VE GOT TO THINK THIS OUT.
YOU MUST HAVE GOT THE MAGIC LIGHTNING WHEN BILLY BATSON SAID HIS WORD EARLIER!
A SHAME, TOO... I'M TOLD YOUR ZONING LAWS PROHIBIT THE BUILDING OF PENNY ARCADES IN BUSY STREETS!
PENNY ARCA
SURE! IT WAS THIS HELMET OF MINE! WHEN I'M WEARING IT, YOUR LIGHTNING STRIKES ME!
AND HE'S WEARING IT NOW! SO IF I SAY THE WORD, HE'LL BE CHANGED BACK TO HIS REAL SELF--
SHAZAM!
ON CUE, THE MAGIC LIGHTNING COMES AT THE MENTION OF THE MAGIC WORD..
BOOOM
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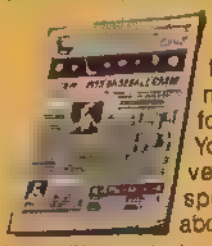

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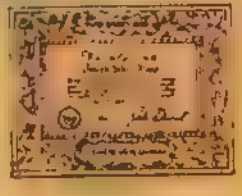

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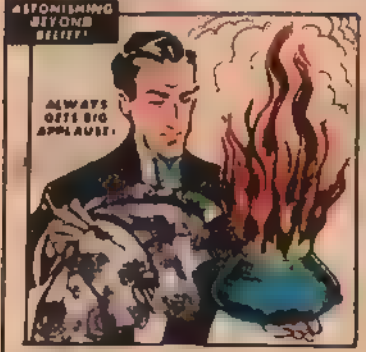

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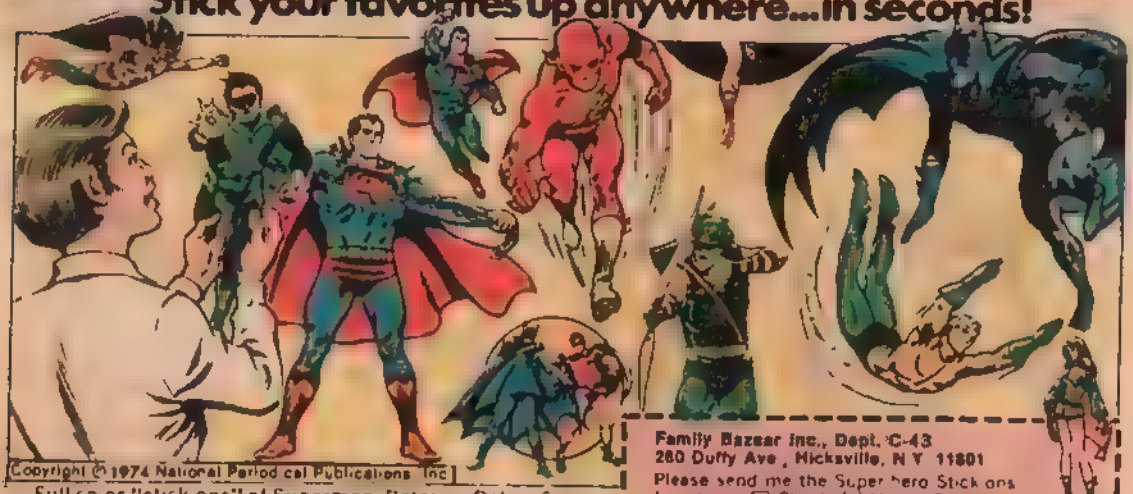

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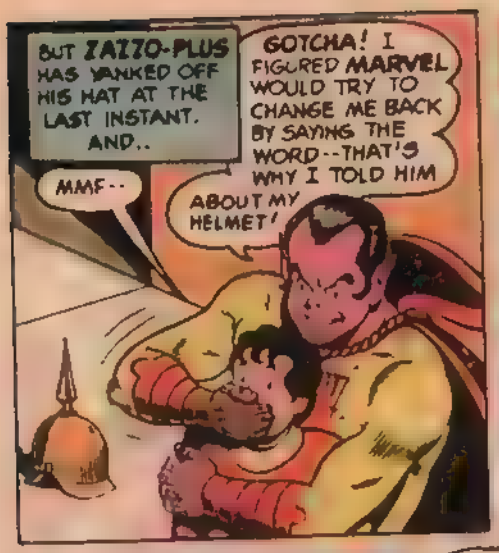
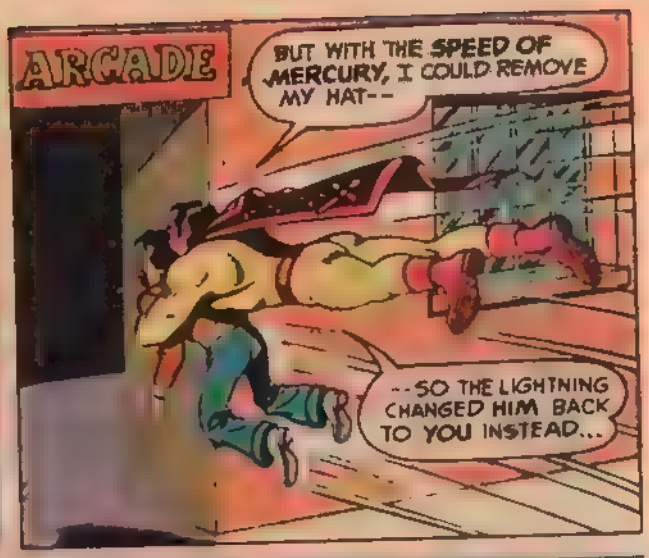

BUT ZAZZO-PLUS HAS YANKED OFF HIS HAT AT THE LAST INSTANT. AND..
GOTCHA! I FIGURED MARVEL WOULD TRY TO CHANGE ME BACK BY SAYING THE WORD--THAT'S WHY I TOLD HIM ABOUT MY HELMET!
MMF--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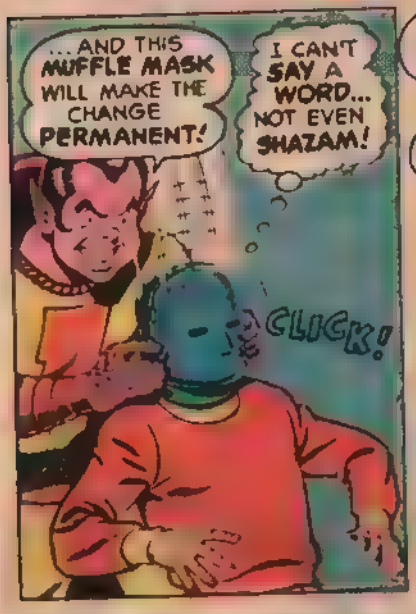
BUT WITH THE SPEED OF MERCURY, I COULD REMOVE MY HAT--
--SO THE LIGHTNING CHANGED HIM BACK TO YOU INSTEAD...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I CAN'T SAY A WORD... NOT EVEN SHAZAM!
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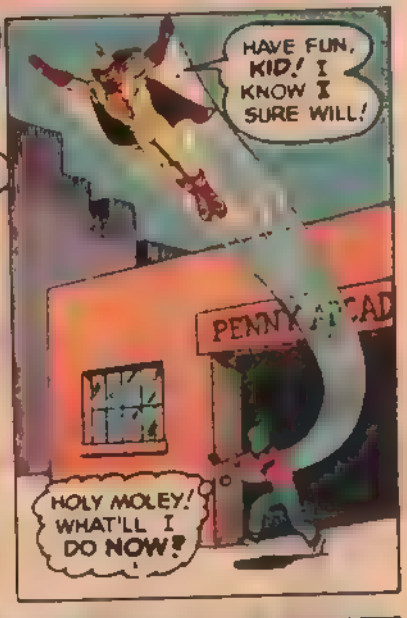
--AND YOU'LL STAY BILLY BATSON-- FOREVER!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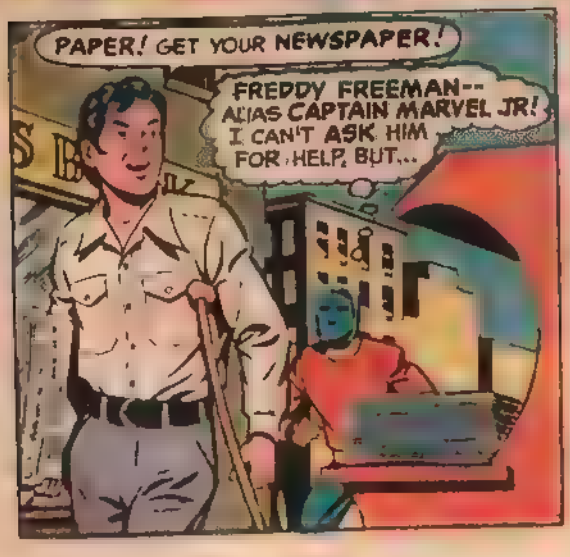
HOLY MOLEY! WHAT'LL I DO NOW?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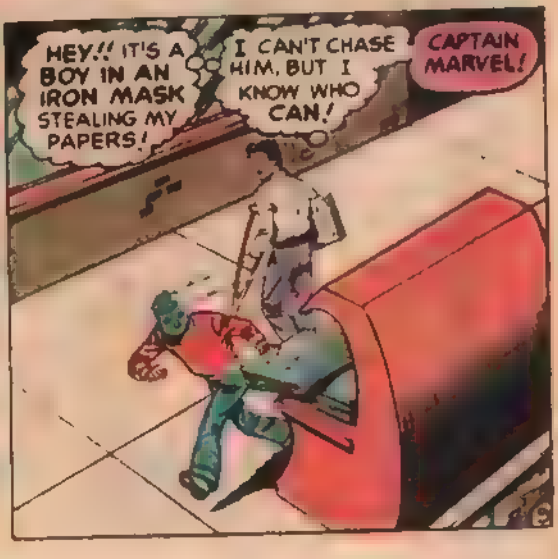
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I CAN'T CHASE HIM, BUT I KNOW WHO CAN!
CAPTAIN MARVEL!

AS CRIPPLED NEWSBOY, FREDDY FREEMAN SAYS THE NAME OF HIS HERO, A MAGIC LIGHTNING BOLT CRASHES TO EARTH
KA-POW!
...BUT INSTEAD OF CHANGING FREDDY FREEMAN TO THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST BOY...
GREAT GLOOPH! WHAT MADE ME CHANGE BACK TO PLAIN ZAZZO?
HOLY MOLEY! WHY DIDN'T THE MAGIC WORDS WORK THAT TIME?
THEY WORKED!
GOTTA GET TO WHERE ZAZZO IS FALLING!
I BROKE MY FALL...
...BUT I CAN'T REACH MY HELMET!
GOT TO GET THIS HELMET ON MY HEAD BEFORE FREDDY AGAIN SAYS...
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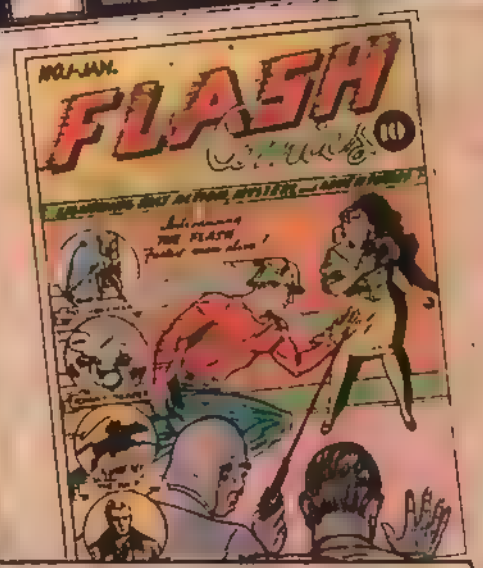

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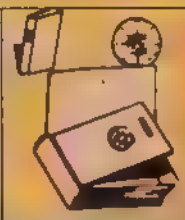

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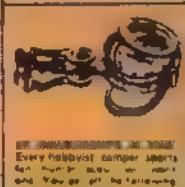

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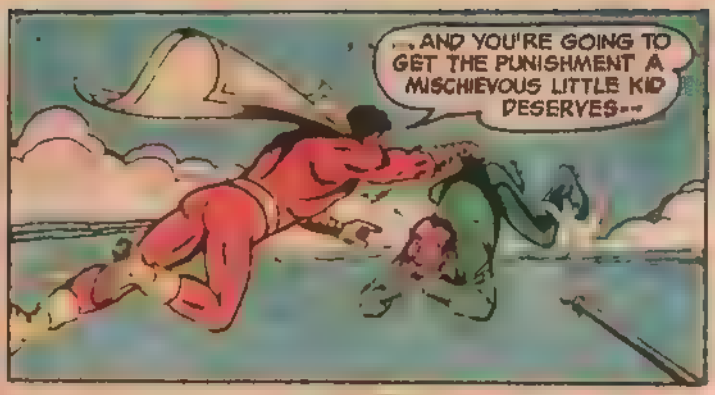
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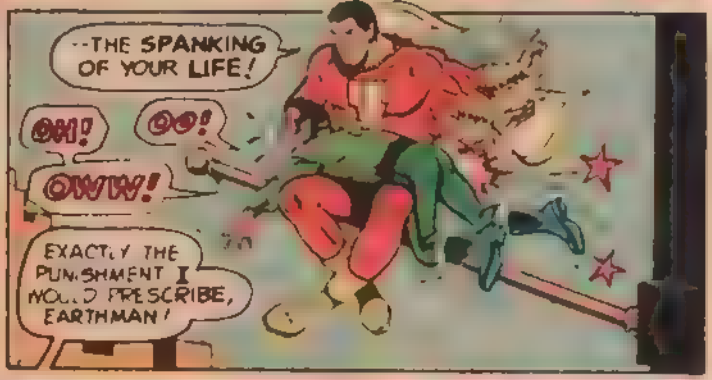
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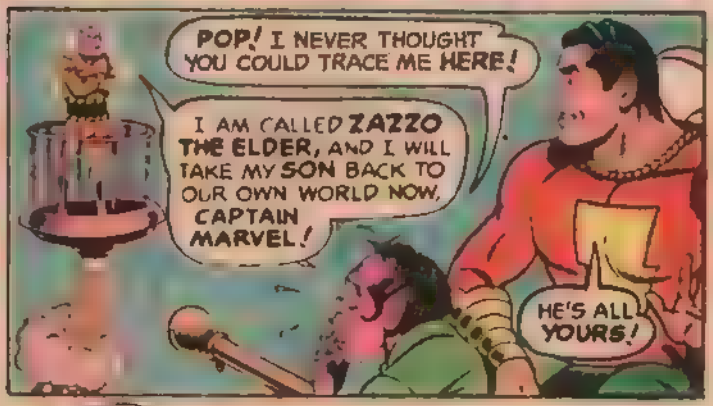
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..SO I DIDN'T SAY THE WORD AGAIN UNTIL YOU GOT HERE TO HELP ME!
NOTHING SEEMS TO HAPPEN ANY MORE WHEN I SAY CAPTAIN MARVEL!

CRACKLE

IT WORKED THAT TIME! HOW...?
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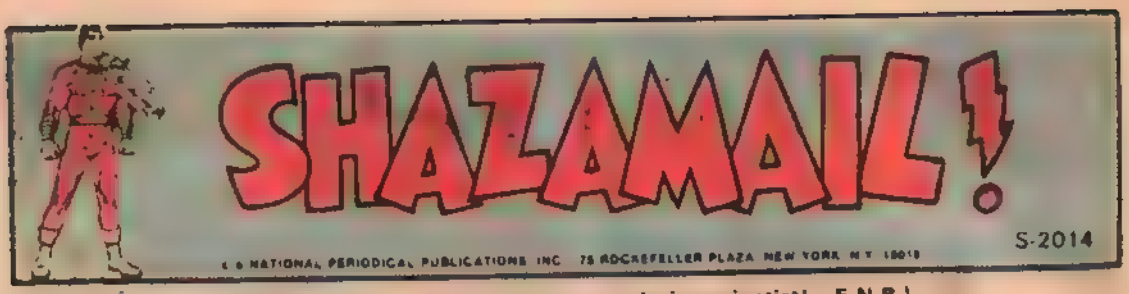

Dear Editor

The Pied Un-Piper," in **Shazam #17,** was a vast improvement over last issue's lead story. For one thing, in most of the new **Captain Marvel** stories, you've been unable to come up with a villain, other than the traditional big names—**Silvana, Ibac** and **Mr. Mind**—who could carry the whole story. Here you solve the problem by giving us four sets of villains, each of which is quite interesting for the short time it's on stage. Usually, aliens in comics look either grotesque or identical to us, and they're either sinister or peace-loving. It's a welcome change to encounter aliens who look funny and act funny, and who are obsessed not with stealing power or gold, but with ripping off green, pollution and chocolate.

Mr. Scruff makes a grand entrance, but overall he's only an adequate villain. The problem is that he really doesn't sound like anyone I've ever heard of. Real counter-culture folk don't stick "un" in front of every other word, like **Electric Company** rejects.

"Pied Un-Piper" is really three stories, one with **Mary Marvel,** one with **Captain Marvel Jr.,** and one with the whole **Marvel Family,** and the format works quite well. Thankfully, you never let the humor undercut the serious tone the story needs to work.

Best of all, you didn't try to make the **Marvels** look naive or stupid as you (and even your Fawcett predecessors) have done in the past. Perhaps last issue's story in which **CM** goes quietly off to jail, or this issue's reprint in which he lets himself be bullied by a mad captain, all because he can't defy the law, strike you as funny. But in fact, they make Cap look foolish, and one cannot identify, much less sympathize, with such a hero. In "Pied Un-Piper," the **Marvels** are the smartest people in their odd universe, and that's how it should be.

I couldn't write this critique without praising the fine Schaffenberger art. As for the reprints, the **Cap Jr.** story provided a welcome change of pace with its grim tone. But although the **Shazam** reprints are usually excellent, I was disappointed this time. I prefer seeing **CM** fighting mad scientists and super-powered menaces, rather than ordinary crooks.

Peter Sanderson, Milton, Mass.

(Wait'll you see what the three Marvels have to fight in the next issue, when they go in search of a missing scientist!—E.N.B.)

. . . . .

Dear Julius:

Thank you for **Shazam** #17, another fine collection of stories about the **Marvel** gang. "Captain Marvel's Wedding" was the best of the reprints, what with the picture of the good **Captain** washing dishes and exclaiming "Holey Moley!"—and that prize scene on the following page wherein Billy declares, "Captain Marvel's a big dope!" Priceless comedy!

The new **Marvel Family** story was decent, too. Denny O'Neil has probably noticed that the funniest parts of the old **Captain Marvel** stories came when the **Captain** was placed in some situation that was totally illogical for the **World's Mightiest Mortal** to be in. I hope to see more of this illogic in the future.

From your "reprint rundown," I am curious about the frequency of publication of **Captain Marvel Adventure** in 1946. #53 was dated Feb. 1, 1946, and #57 was Mar. 29, 1946. Was it physically possible for the production staff to turn out two or three issues a month?

Charles Williams, Detroit, Mich.

(Somehow they managed it! For a while, CMA was published EVERY OTHER FRIDAY! —E.N.B.)

Dear Editor,

You've been a little weird the last two issues, featuring Golden Age **Marvels** on the covers—but as long as it sells **Shazam,** it's all right with me.

Denny O'Neil and Kurt Schaffenberger really worked well together on "The Pied Un-Piper" (DC truly is getting weird—no "I" after "Un-Piper"). The story was a great bit of camp fantasy, with the character Allegro Scruff dating from the beatnik era. And the alien smog, chocolate and green thieves were **certainly** a segment of strange fantasy. Kurt's drawing complamented Denny's script very well—his Allegro Scruff looked like an Allegro Scruff, his smog-stealers looked like smog-stealers, etc. (By the way, I'd like to thank Kurt and Denny, I did enjoy seeing **Tawky Tawny**!)

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(You might have added that Kurt's TAWKY TAWNY looks just like a TAWKY TAWNY. And I look just like—E. NELSON BRIDWELL.)

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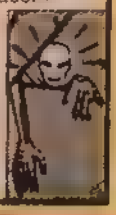

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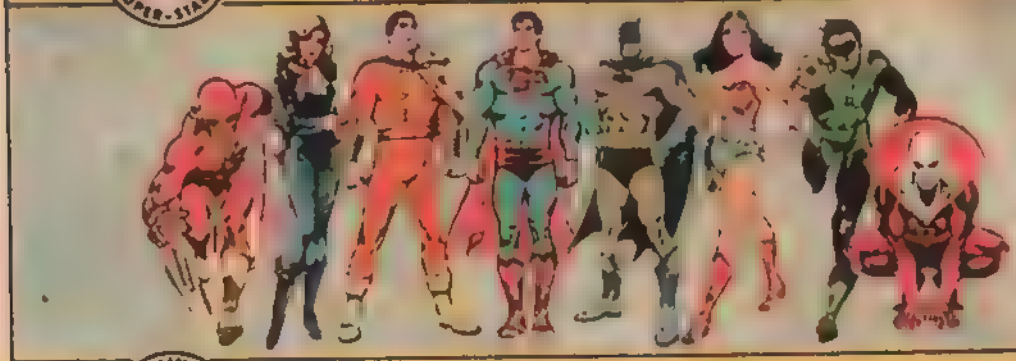

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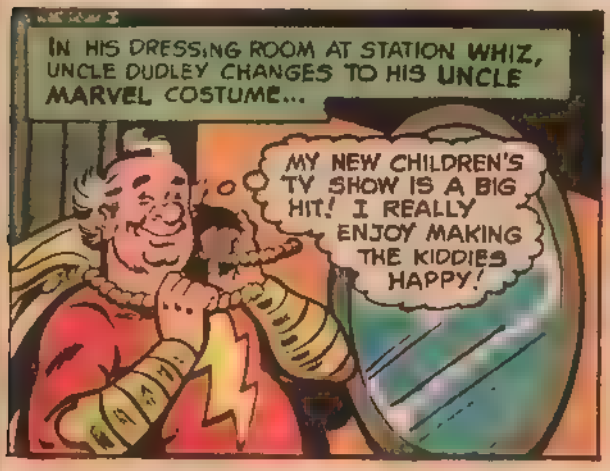
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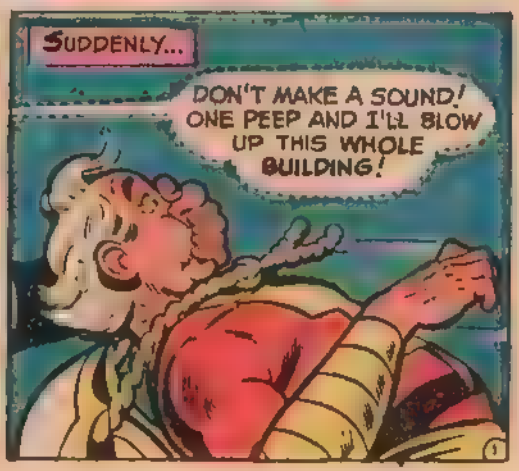
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GREAT AUNT LIZZY! I HAVE NO SHAZAM POWERS -- I'M ONLY A FAKE MEMBER OF THE MARVEL FAMILY!
BUT IF I REFUSE TO HELP HIM, HE'LL SET OFF THE EXPLOSIVE!
THIS CALLS FOR FAST THINKING!
I'LL DO IT . BUT LET ME DO MY TV-SHOW FIRST!
I'D HATE TO DISAPPOINT THE LITTLE NIPPERS, YOU KNOW!
OKAY . BUT I'LL BE WATCHING! ANY FUNNY BUSINESS. AND-- BOOM!
MINUTES LATER, AS MARY BATSON TUNES IN..
I NEVER MISS UNCLE MARVEL'S SHOWS! I LOVE THE STORIES ABOUT HIS EXPLOITS -- EVEN IF THEY AREN'T TRUE!
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"WHAT'S WRONG, OH ESTEEMED FRIEND?" I ASKED..
STRANGE... UNCLE IS STRESSING CERTAIN WORDS AND SYLLABLES . I'LL WRITE THEM DOWN!
READY TO APPLY BALM TO ANY INJURY, THOUGH, IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN BUILDING A LONG TIME, I..
MERRY... ES... OH, ES.. BALM... IN... BUILDING.
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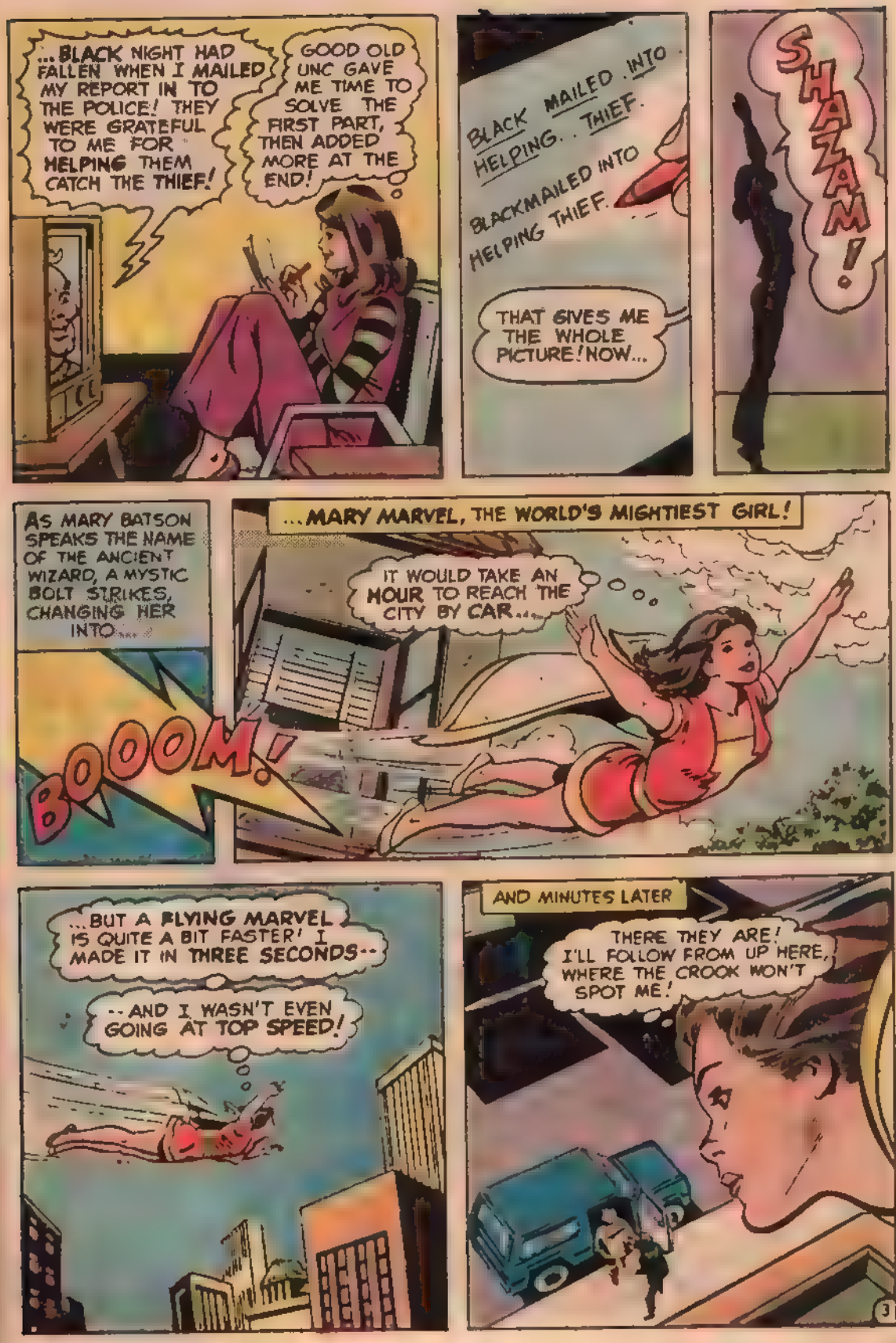
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BLACK MAILED INTO HELPING. . THIEF.
BLACKMAILED INTO HELPING THIEF.
THAT GIVES ME THE WHOLE PICTURE! NOW...
SHAZAM!
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BOOOM!
...MARY MARVEL, THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST GIRL!
IT WOULD TAKE AN HOUR TO REACH THE CITY BY CAR...
...BUT A FLYING MARVEL IS QUITE A BIT FASTER! I MADE IT IN THREE SECONDS--
--AND I WASN'T EVEN GOING AT TOP SPEED!
AND MINUTES LATER
THERE THEY ARE! I'LL FOLLOW FROM UP HERE, WHERE THE CROOK WON'T SPOT ME!

SOON, ON A LONELY COUNTRY ROAD.
THIS IS AS FAR AS I GO, UNCLE! YOU'LL FLY ON TO THE MAXWELL ART MUSEUM!
I'D BETTER DROP DOWN HERE AND LISTEN!
AND WHAT, PRECISELY, DO YOU WANT ME TO STEAL?
JUST ONE PAINTING -- AN OLD MASTER - "THE SMILING SWORDSMAN"!
HERE I GO! I'LL TAKE A RUNNING START...
AND HOPE MARY GOT MY MESSAGE!
I'M MOVING SO FAST THAT CROOK CAN'T SPOT ME
AND AWAY I GO!
GOOD GIRL! YOU KNOW I HAVE TROUBLE FLYING BECAUSE OF MY -- UH -- SHAZAMBAGO!
UNCLE THINKS I BELIEVE HIM AND I'LL NEVER LET ON I KNOW HE'S A FRAUD!
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THAT WAS QUICK!
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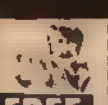

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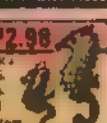

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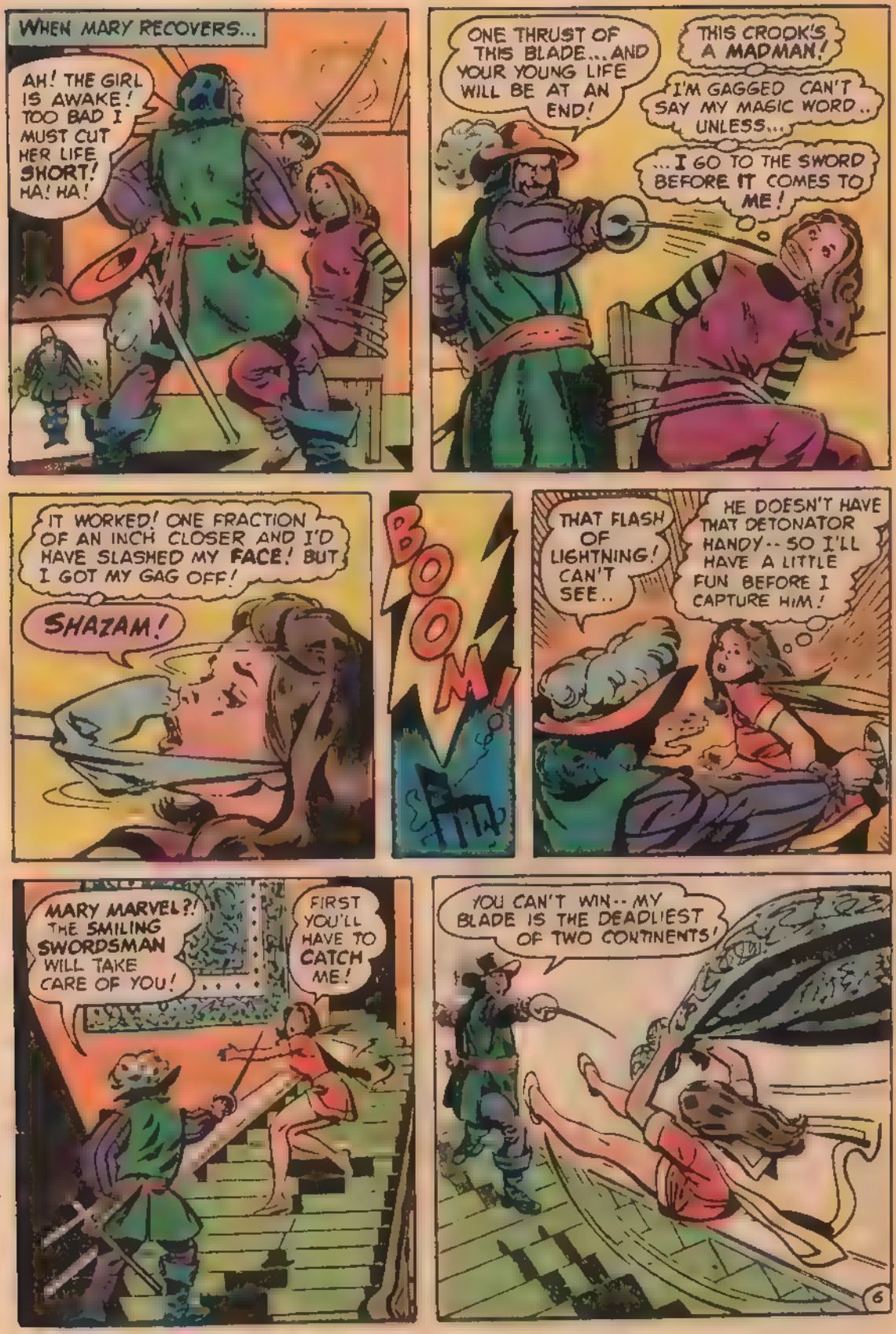
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FIRST YOU'LL HAVE TO CATCH ME!
YOU CAN'T WIN -- MY BLADE IS THE DEADLIEST OF TWO CONTINENTS!
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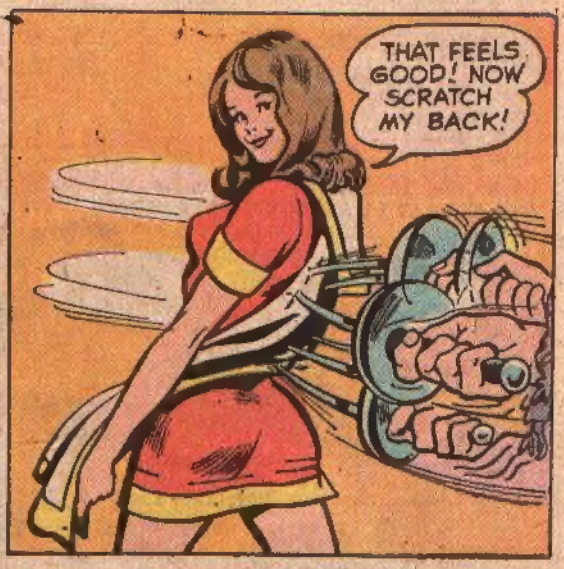
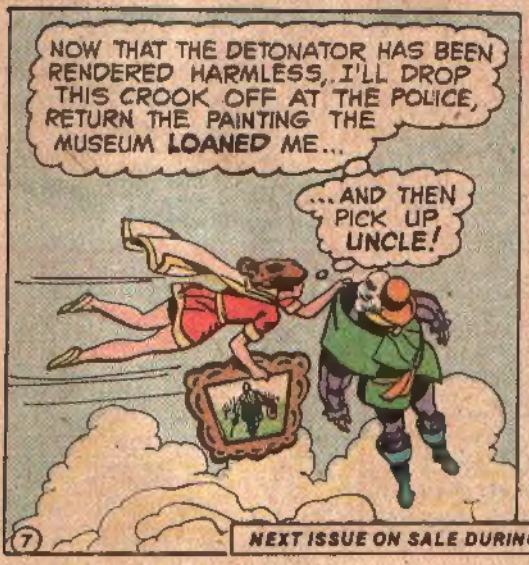
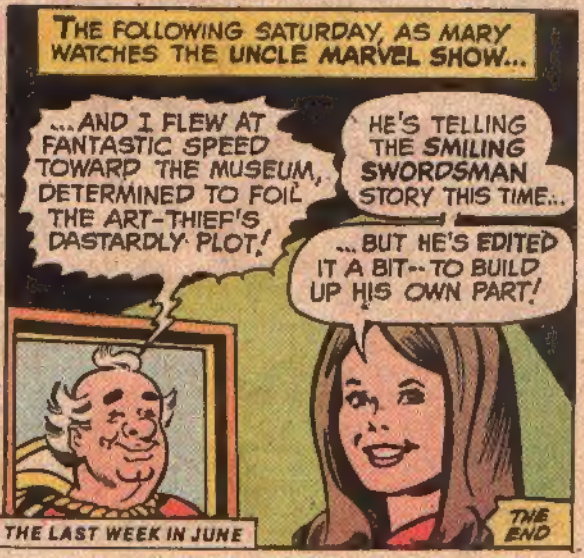



NOW THAT THE DETONATOR HAS BEEN RENDERED HARMLESS, I'LL DROP THIS CROOK OFF AT THE POLICE, RETURN THE PAINTING THE MUSEUM LOANED ME...
...AND THEN PICK UP UNCLE!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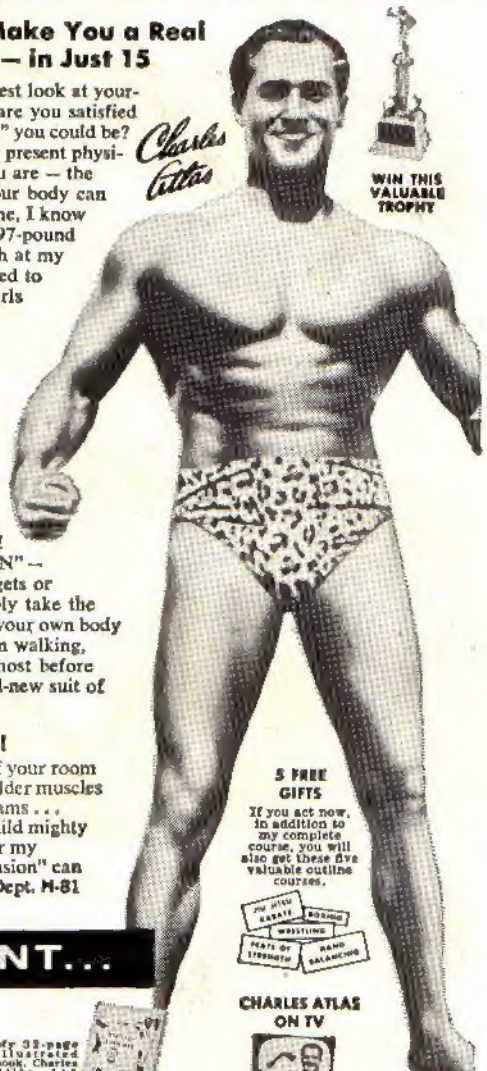

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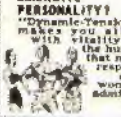

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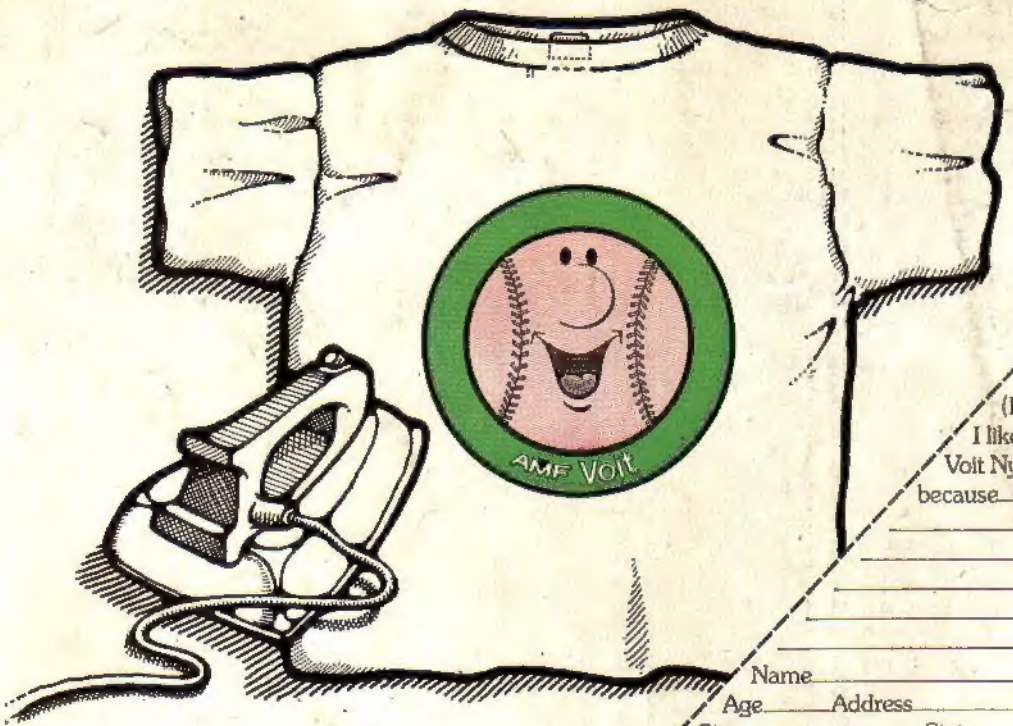

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